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SELECTIVE SERVICE REMINDER

HEAB reminds offices and students that male students seeking financial aid from the State of Wisconsin OR from the US Department of Education are required to register with the United States Selective Service System (SSS). Many students will have done so in high school, but for some this remains on the "to-do" list. By filling out a quick and easy registration form online or by mail, students remain eligible not just for student aid, but for other federal loans, many job training programs, and other opportunities.

<https://www.sss.gov>

Technical Excellence Scholarship update

The Technical Excellence Scholarship notification list has been sent out to the Technical Schools and we are working on getting the vouchering process into production. Many thanks go out to Barb for her expertise in attempting to get this process working.

Degree Project

We are getting very close to having this program operational also. We are hoping to have a notification list out this week and then begin vouchering soon after. Please watch for e-mails from Peter to provide an update on when you can request funds. The disbursement code is 71.

Covenant Grant Program Update

Please review your 15-16 notification lists to make sure that you have added the Covenant grant to eligible students' financial aid packages. Also, please check any transfer students that may be eligible.

NOTIFICATION LIST 1516

Distributed Wednesday afternoons:

September 2, 9, 16, 23, and 30.

October 7, 14, 21, and 28.

AES LIST

September 23, October 7 and 21.

TES LIST

Wednesday, September 16, 23, and 30. October 7 and 21.

Please look for the schedule online at: <http://www.heab.wi.gov/finaid.html>

VOUCHER PROCESSING

The State's accounting system is upgrading its accounting system on October 1st from Wismart to Star. We may experience problems with voucher processing during the first few weeks of October during go-live – we appreciate your patience as we work through this transition.

Tuesdays and Fridays for files uploaded by noon

September 1, 4, 8, 11, 15, 18, 22, 25, and 29.

October 6, 9, 13, 16, 20, 23, 27, and 30.

There will not be a voucher processed, on Friday October 2nd.

Please check our Webpage for current Notification List and Voucher Processing Schedules.

<http://www.heab.wi.gov/finaid.html>

15 – 16 GRANTS UPDATES – COMMITTED 9/15/15

	<u>Current</u>	<u>This Time Last Year</u>
<u>Wisconsin Grant - PNP</u>		
Committed	160.50%	153.18%
Spent	24.15%	35.14%
<u>Wisconsin Grant - TR (W codes 08/26/2015)</u>		
Committed	189.50%	176.59%
Spent	32.39 %	25.27%
<u>Wisconsin Grant - UW</u>		
Committed	120.70%	131.95%
Spent	34.80%	38.50%
<u>Wisconsin Grant - TC (W codes 6/25/15)</u>		
Committed	180.56%	191.47%
Spent	45.80%	48.18%

UPCOMING EVENTS

Scheduled HEAB Board Meetings: October 23, 2015

HEAB Training Date: November 19

HEAB conducts one-day training programs for new and continuing financial aid administrators. The training session covers all aspects of the programs administered by HEAB, including:

Goals of State Aid; *Eligibility for State Aid*; The Notification List; *The Voucher Process*; Return of State Funds; *Submitting and Receiving Data to/from HEAB*; Overviews of the Individual HEAB Programs

The program begins at 10:00 a.m. and ends no later than 3:00 p.m. It is held at the HEAB offices at 131 W. Wilson St, Suite 902, Madison, WI. We have room for up to 6 people at each session. Please let us know if you are coming to training as materials are printed based on the number of people attending. To

register for a session or for more information, please contact Nancy Wilkison at (608) 267-2213 or email her at nancy.wilkison@wi.gov.

Please contact me by phone at (608) 264-6181 or by email at john.reinemann@wisconsin.gov if you have any questions, concerns or comments. Thank you!